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## TO-DAY'S CABLES.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

### OIL ENTERPRISES.

IN DUTCH EAST INDIES.

NEW LEGISLATION PROPOSED.

THE HAGUE, December 22.

During the Second Chamber debate on the estimates for the Dutch Indies Mr. de Graaf, Minister for the Colonies, stated that pending abolition of the export duty on petroleum as from January 23, payment of duty might be postponed with the special authorisation of the Government of the Dutch Indies. Thus, after the States General had ratified abolition it would be unnecessary to refund duties paid since January. The Minister acknowledged the importance of foreign capital to the Dutch Indies and stated that it was proposed to start an inquiry in neighbouring countries in regard to the fiscal regime to which oil enterprises were subjected and the general conditions in which they worked. He declared that the Chamber was perfectly free to abolish the export duty on petroleum and to reject the petroleum refinery tax which would be proposed. The two measures were entirely independent of each other.

### BANQUE INDUSTRIELLE.

NEED FOR PROMPT ACTION.

BRITISH BANKRUPTCY THREAT.

PARIS, December 22.

A Senatorial commission has begun an examination of the Bill recently passed by the Chamber for employing the remainder of the Boxer indemnity to reorganise the Banque Industrielle de Chine. As soon as M. Jeanneney has completed his report the Bill will be submitted to the Senate as despatches from China show the advisability of the Bill becoming law as promptly as possible.

M. Doumergue, President of the Foreign Affairs Committee in the Senate, communicated to the Committee a letter from M. Giquet, President of the provincial administration of the Banque Industrielle, alleging that according to authoritative information in interested circles in London if the Bill for the reconstruction of the Banque Industrielle is not ratified by December 31 the British courts will order a declaration of Bankruptcy in the London, Singapore and Hongkong branches of the Bank.

### GERMANY'S FINANCES.

BUDGET FOR 1923.

BERLIN, December 22.

The Federal Council has adopted the provisional Budget of the Reich for 1923. The ordinary Budget balances at 732 milliard marks. The extraordinary Budget shows an expenditure of 844 milliards and a revenue of 183 milliards, including 449 milliards for general administration purposes 208 milliards for the execution of the Peace Treaty, a total deficit of 721 milliards for which only 99 milliards is expected to be available for the proceeds of the compulsory loan.

### RELIEF OF RUSSIA.

8,000,000 NEEDING HELP.

GENEVA, December 22.

The Nansen organisation for the relief of Russia reports that it is estimated there will be a deficit of at least a million tons of grain in Russia in the winter. The Russian authorities estimate that eight million famine-stricken people require assistance. The Soviet Government does not expect to be able to feed more than four and a quarter million.

### MOTOR ACCIDENT.

POLICE SERGEANT HURT.

Lance Sergeant O'Connor of the Police and a shop-keeper of No. 302, Queen's Road West, were injured in a motor-car accident at the corner of Whitty Street yesterday afternoon.

Motor car No. 258, owned by the Moon Garage, was making the corner in Queen's Road West when it suddenly skidded. It mounted the pavement before the driver could apply the brakes, and ran into the Sergeant and the Chinese who were standing outside shop No. 302. The shop-keeper received the full force of the collision and was so severely injured that he had to be taken to the hospital. Sergeant O'Connor was caught by one of the men and injured about the leg.

### SNATCHER CAUGHT.

A Chinese youth was sentenced by Mr. R. E. Lindsay this morning to six weeks' jail for snatching a gold watch and fob from Mr. A. Rahmin of the Hongkong Electric Co. Mr. Rahmin was walking past the World Theatre yesterday afternoon when the defendant collided with him. Simultaneously Mr. Rahmin felt a tug at his waist-coat pocket, and found his watch was gone. Defendant took to his heels but was caught after a short chase.

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### ROUND THE WORLD FLIGHT.

SIR KEITH SMITH'S PLANS.

ATTEMPT TO BE MADE IN APRIL.

WASHINGTON, December 22.

The airman Sir Keith Smith, who is at present here has virtually completed his plans for crossing the Western hemisphere in an attempt to fly round the world next April. He proposes to cross the Pacific from Siberia to Alaska, follow the Canadian railway across Canada, then to New York from Toronto. Then he will return to Halifax and thence to St. John's. Plans for the trans-Atlantic flight have not yet been definitely settled but his present programme contemplates a flight from St. John's to the Azores and thence to London.

### CANADIAN CHURCH DESTROYED.

WORK OF INCENDIARIES.

QUEBEC, December 21.

Notre Dame Church, one of most beautiful in Canada, was destroyed by fire. The church, which was known as the French Basilica, dated back to 1647. The Chief of the Provincial Police states that the fire was incendiary. He received a letter that the church would be burned down on December 28. The damage is estimated at a million dollars.

### TURKISH MILITARY SERVICE.

CHRISTIANS NOT EXEMPTED.

LAUSANNE, December 22.

The minorities sub-commission states that the Turks have refused to consent to the exemption of Christians from military service in spite of all the arguments of the British, French and Italian delegates. It was agreed that the League of Nations should be responsible for insuring into any sanction of the minority arrangements and it was proposed that a League commissioner visit Turkey for this purpose when required.

### INDIAN LABOUR UNREST.

CALCUTTA TRAMWAY STRIKE.

CALCUTTA, December 22.

A general tramway strike has been declared following the dismissal of a driver. The trams are only running along two routes. There have been a few cases of assaults on workers three of whom are now in hospital. A restricted service guarded by armed police is being maintained with Howrah.

### SOVIET LINEUP OF WAR.

10,000 ROUBLES FOR RED ARMY.

PARIS, December 21.

Complying with the demand of the President of the revolutionary tribunal, M. Trotsky, the Soviet budget commission has agreed to allow an additional ten million gold roubles for the needs of the Red army during the forthcoming year.

### NEW AMERICAN JUDGE.

WASHINGTON, December 22.

The appointment is confirmed of Mr. Pierce Butler of St. Paul as associate justice of the Supreme Court instead of Mr. William B. Day.

### ILLICIT COCAINE.

The Chinese who was yesterday sentenced at the Criminal Sessions to 18 months' jail for offering a bribe to a constable to evade arrest for the possession of a large quantity of cocaine, was this morning brought before Mr. R. E. Lindsay for sentence on the charge relating to the drug. The Magistrate imposed a fine of \$2,000 or 9 months' jail. The sentence is to start after the prisoner had served the 18 months for bribery.

In the A.D.C.'s Production of The Tempest the auditorium will be in complete darkness during the progress of the storm, which immediately precedes the Ballet of the Waves. It is especially requested therefore that everyone will be in their seats punctually at 8.15 p.m.

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## The China Mail.

"TRUTH, JUSTICE, PUBLIC SERVICE"  
HONGKONG, SATURDAY, DEC. 23, 1932.

"Christians, awake, salute the happy morn!"  
ON "Although we celebrate EARTH, Christmas five times since the band of war was stayed, we are still far from realizing the ideal 'Peace on earth and goodwill to men.' But we need not lose heart. A worldly ambition, as Arnold Bennett has pointed out, cannot be attained—it is ideal, it would be an ideal. And therein lies the great secret of Christmas. This is the season when we renew our fading hope in our ideal, when we take fresh heart and strive anew."

That Christmas has lost CAN much of its quondam sun- YOU time and magic is un- HEAR deniable, but even to-day, EM! in these hard, material times, a modern philo- sopher (in the person of Arnold Bennett) assures us that "the spirit and rites of ancient Christmas are kept up, more or less, in their full vigour and splendour, by a race of beings that is scattered over the whole earth . . . a race mysterious, most fruitful, conservative, imaginative, passionately sincere, arriving from we know not where, dissolving before our eyes we know not how . . . the children by virtue of whose faith the reindeer are still trampling the sky."

Actually this December WHEN twenty-five was not the THE day Christians celebrate YEAR the greatest in history. TURNS. That is a known and admitted fact. Why, then, was the Christmas feast fixed for that day? Our same happy philosopher gives answer, explaining: "that Christians were not, at first, united in the celebration of Christmas; some keeping it in January, some in April, and others in May. It was a pre-Christian force, he asserts, which drove them all into agreement on the twenty-fifth of December—the winter

solstice, Yule—when the night begins to decrease and the day to increase, when the year turns and hope is born again because the worst is over."

"Peace on earth and looking good will to men." That FAR was the same faith AHEAD. Burns preached when he hoped for the day

"When man to man the world o'er shall brothers be." And that is the ideal we must ever strive towards, for (quoting Arnold Bennett yet once more) we see a "revolving globe that whizzes through elemental space around a ball of fire; which, in turn, is rushing with all its satellites at an inconceivable speed from nowhere to nowhere, and to the surface of the revolving, whizzing globe a multitude of living things desperately clinging, and these living things in the midst of cataclysmic danger, and between the twin enigmas of birth and death, quarrelling and hating, and calling themselves kings and queens and millionaires and beautiful women and aristocrats and geniuses and Jacques and superior persons!" Surely after that vision you believe the barriers between men are only artificial, that a world brotherhood is possible. Our common humanity—let mankind but once grasp that and the great ideal ceases to be an idle dream and becomes a real hope, a certain prospect.

Hence ye grumblers— THAT hence! What would ye? FAMOUS A "brighter Hongkong?" HARK Y' AGAIN! then—

"I shall be dull when they are gone," observed Anabel [wife of a fabulously wealthy Malay States planter entertaining guests in a palatial jungle home]. "Can't we all go to Hongkong?"

"I'll take you a trip to Japan, darling, instead," promised her husband.

"Anabel made no reply to this. What was the use? She would see to it that she didn't go to Japan. She had no friends there, and she knew that a trip to Hongkong would be more exciting. There were lots of men there. She had heard that, in the famous bar, they stood in rows ten deep, every day. Where men con-

gregated there was always fun and excitement. They made life jazz as it were.

That "famous bar" possibly explains a later passage in this new novel, which the publishers proudly announce was "closely in the running" for a £500 prize. The most distinguished guest, a real baronet speaks:

"Harry! Who's he?"  
"Ah! You're dead jealous," said Raymond in a satisfied tone. I suppose he didn't care for me either, for he went to Hongkong and I haven't heard from him—not once, ever since." . . . She began to weep afresh.

Perhaps he went down in that ten deep crush and never came up again!

Walter Bynner, the American poet who for visited China this year to translate Chinese poems into English is now returned to his native land. "One of the fruits of his Oriental journeys is the following poem which appeared in the New York Nation under the heading 'A Good-bye from the Ship':"

Meetings are only partings, friend,  
We might have known  
That in the end  
Every one goes his way alone. . . .  
We shared blue mornings on the sea,  
White mountain moons,  
You played for me  
On your bamboo-flute the Chinese tunes

That went with wine-cups and the song  
Chrysanthemum sang.  
Ten stanzas long,  
When she laughed with us in  
Chinking.

Pure were the poems you explained  
On Canton walls  
The day it rained;  
And always now the twilight falls  
More quietly because you said:  
"This is the hour  
When griefs are shed  
As light as petals from a flower."  
These things and other things are mine  
To bless you for.

We send a sign  
Of goodwill, between ship and shore.  
Meetings like ours have always shone  
Beyond their end—  
But we might have known,  
Meetings are only partings, friend.

And yet some still fail to appreciate the necessity for ARMS. Powder this from a Pakhoi reader: "A few days ago a steaming steamer from Hongkong brought a passenger here with a hundred repeating revolvers. He had apparently eluded the Hongkong police and the Pakhoi customs, for he was finally caught by the harbour police in a hotel with the arms in his possession." One hundred—that's a tidy haul.

"Two or three" always means at least three, or three and upward. "One or two" seldom if ever means one. "In a minute" means anywhere from five to fifty minutes.

"That reminds me of a story" means, "Now you keep quiet while I tell my joke." "I hold no brief for" means, "I am now going to defend." "While I do not wish to appear critical" means, "But I am going to have my say out anyhow." "Of course it's no business of mine" means, "I am simply devoured with curiosity." "My conduct calls for no apology and needs no explanation" is the usual introduction for an apology or an explanation. "No one could possibly have mistaken my meaning" is what we say when some one has mistaken it.

These definitions framed by an LITTLE American paper apply everywhere. They also suggest a few Hongkong ones. "Lend me fifty dollars" means (very often) "give me" that amount. "I rarely drink" means quite four every day. "Exchange doesn't interest me" means, "I'm now pretty heavily in debt." "Let us have a really long walk" usually means a stroll along Bowen Road. "Play until eleven" means, "I am now going to play until daylight (unless the whisky gives out before then)." "Sorry old man, I'd put you up myself" means, "I envy you no weight."

"I just go for the club. Huh!" "I just go love bridge" means the speaker is probably a port mortem expert. "Can I borrow this book?" means "You might as well give it to me." "I'm not much of a singer" usually means exactly that. "Have one?" means "I'll pay for this round you pay for the second; he'll pay for the third. I'll pay for the fourth; you'll pay for the fifth; he'll pay for the sixth. I'll pay for the seventh; you'll pay for the eighth; he'll pay for the ninth; I'll pay for the tenth."

That charming essayist, E.V. Lucas, in his latest volume, "Giving and Receiving," has some interesting things about Christmas presents. Profane as well as sacred history, he says, tells us more of the giving of presents than of their reception, but he adds, we have, as a rule, no information either as to the remarks made by the recipient whose appraising eye checked off the apes and the ivory and the peacocks, or the consultations of the Ministers of State as the consignment of generosity was being made up. This deficiency "E.V." proceeds to remedy. "One can see them in committed a few days before the monarch sets forth on his expedition to the friendly state: 'Don't you think (the Chancellor of the Exchequer is speaking), 'don't you think two hundred milk-white steeds excessive? Wouldn't one hundred do?' 'Or even fifty,' says the Home Secretary."

"Yes, or even fifty. It isn't as if we were visiting a really first-class power"—and so with the bars of gold, the precious stones, the spices (such as the Queen of Sheba carried to Solomon), all would have to be carefully measured according to the importance of the other king or the need of his alliance.

And there is his side of the transaction: "Well, I must say I think they might have been a little less stingy. Only five hundred bars of silk! Not enough for more than half the ladies of the Court; for you can't expect any two to wear the same colour. And only thirty pairs of shoes! Distinctly on the mean side."

From this our essayist draws the moral and suggests that it might do a world of good if one Christmas we all decided to tell the truth and say exactly what we thought of our presents.

"Thank you for nothing. I can see where you've erased your own name and put mine in." "Surely I was worth more than three-and-eleven! I saw these at Harker's last week and noted the price." "What's the use of giving me a diary when you must know I never keep one?" "Good heavens, you don't really expect me to wear a tie of that colour!"

H. W. Lucas, as "E.V." sees himself this candour would probably result in the disintegration of the human family which is largely held together by compromise, and he thinks the truth lurks in the statement that no present is worth having unless the giver would rather have kept it himself.

The "bakers' strike," observes a wag, appears to have been much enough 'out nothing! The turning-over-a-new-leaf season now upon us, the following from the NEW Sunday Times makes very topical reading and posted over your calendar might well serve as your new year inspira-

tion:—  
A little more kindness,  
A little less greed,  
A little more giving,  
A little less greed,  
A little more smile,  
A little less frown,  
A little less kicking,  
A man when he's down,  
A little more "we,"  
A little less "I,"  
A little more laugh,  
A little less cry,  
A little more flowers,  
On the pathway of life  
And fewer on graves  
At the end of the strife.

But if you find that too long to remember, or even FINAL WORD, you will remember the single quotation that contains the essence of every teaching, of every philosophy since the world began. You recognize it—"To thine own self be true, and it must follow, as the night the day, thou canst not then be false to any man."

Several literary men, notably H. G. Wells, were among the candidates in the recent talking shopperable. This is not the first time that literary men have sought political honours, though few have gained the spectacular eminence of a D'Annunzio. One of the most interesting flutters was made by the elder Dumas, whose name is especially familiar in the Colony just now owing to the interest the screen version of "The Three Musketeers" is arousing. Dumas once stood for a Paris division and his election, address is unique. Convinced that statistics made the most effective appeal he summarised the material services the community had derived from his literary output. For twenty years, he pointed out, he had worked ten hours a day, producing 400 volumes and 36 plays. Taking 4,000 as the average number of each work printed and placing the selling price at five francs apiece, his books had earned 247,444 francs. The plays, each

with an average run of 100 nights, had yielded another £284,400. Dumas then enumerated the various workers—printers, paper makers, binders, shopkeepers, actors, theatre employees, etc.—for whom the books and plays had provided employment. He estimated that his labours had created employment enough for 2,150 persons for twenty years with a daily wage of three francs. Dumas was not elected.

Had he a country all his own, a local bookman tells me, this is the Ministry he would "elect":—

Prime Minister. . . . G. B. Shaw.  
Foreign Affairs. . . . H. G. Wells.  
India. . . . Rudyard Kipling.  
War. . . . None (No war).  
Admiralty. . . . W. W. Jacobs.  
Agriculture. . . . Rider Haggard.  
Scotland. . . . J. M. Barrie.  
Exchequer. . . . J. M. Keynes.  
Lord Chancellor. . . . G. K. Chesterton.  
Home Affairs. . . . Hilaire Belloc.  
Attorney General. . . . John Galsworthy.

Post Laureate. . . . John Maschfield.  
Tutoring, the child-like simplicity of this bookman friend! As if the contagion weren't bad enough already. The mind reels at the thought of the literary flood which would burst loose when (and perhaps even before) the Cabinet resigned, the countless "Purging Politics," "Salvaging Europe," and "How I Did It" books that would come streaming from the over-worked presses. Imagine, too, a debate in the house, "If the honourable member will recall the passage in my book he will—what! the honourable member hasn't read!"

Mr. Speaker I consider the honourable member unfit to be a member of this House and I move . . . "Bad as politics are at present I think they're still the lesser of the two evils."

The "Welsh Wizard" THINGS seemingly has now LLOYD definitely lost the premiership. He can ESCAPED, temper his grief, however, by pondering the fate of some of his predecessors, as set forth in "A Short History of the Prime Ministers of Great Britain" published in 1733. This concludes with a tabulated statement prepared for the benefit of any reader "desirous to behold at one view the diverse casualties of the sundry Prime Ministers above mentioned."

Died by the halter. . . . 3.  
" by the axe. . . . 10.  
" sturdy beggars. . . . 3.  
" untimely by private hands. . . . 2.  
" in imprisonment. . . . 4.  
" in exile. . . . 4.  
" penitent. . . . 1.  
Saved by sacrificing his master. . . . 1.  
Sum total of Prime Ministers. . . . 28.

Last week the Colony had in its midst four of the MAJORIAN magicians not counting (of course) the sorcerer who fixes the exchange rate, the wizard who sets the fashion in sex, and the demon who played the poker Friday. Four professional magicians able to turn water into beer—what an opportunity was here, my masters! And what a woful apathy. Could they have been induced to sweep away the barriers of professional rivalry and combine their art, think what wonders these four might have performed. Way, properly roused, instead of resting content to transform one glass of water they might have turned the whole harbour into beer!

The raucous motor, hoister, nuisance here is yet another, DID—but why waste words HIS calling attention to this evil BEST, when is daily, hourly shrieks attention unto itself. The Hongkong motorist's attitude is typified in the story an American paper tells of a speed maniac who ran head-on into a six-story office building and after regaining consciousness weakly murmured, "I blew my horn."

Capping this, though, is EVEN the joke appearing in the BETTER, latest Punch. The picture shows a motor car hurtling down a dangerous incline. Nervous passenger inquires: "What's that queer sound?" Irish chauffeur replies: "It's the foot-break breaking away, Sirr. The hand-break is broken, but don't be uneasy, Sirr—the hoister is alright."

The first celebration of Christmas took place in the year A.D. 336, 98, but not until thirty-nine years later was this feast recognised by the Church. Some of our modern Christmas customs find their origin in the dim era of myth and legend. The use of mistletoe, for example, is first found in Scandinavian mythology. Learned authorities relate that the god Balder was also supposed to be invulnerable. It is to say, his mother, Frigg, had decreed that nothing which had its roots in air, earth, fire, or water should hurt him. Thereupon Loki,

the god of evil, fashioned an arrow from the mistletoe bough and gave it to the blind Hoder to test. Hoder fired the arrow and killed Balder. He was restored to life and dedicated the mistletoe plant to his mother. Thereafter it was declared harmless, as long as it did not touch the ground, and became the emblem of love instead of death. Mistletoe was, accordingly hung up, and those who passed beneath it exchanged the kiss of peace. The old Norsemen took the custom to England, and with the use of mistletoe as a Christmas decoration the kiss of peace naturally survived.

The legend of Santa Claus goes away back to the time of the fourth century, to the time of an early GOT Christian saint, named HIS Nicholas, who was bishop NAME, of Myra, in Lycia. He had such a love for little boys that soon he came to be regarded as their patron saint, an office which he still fills in Catholic countries. On the eve of St. Nicholas, the 26th of December, the children are gathered together and given gill nuts and sweetmeats. In course of time, the name of this saint became corrupted into Santa Claus.

That is what the learned XMAS will tell you, but at course GOOD any child can tell you their OWN! are wrong. What are their abstruse researches into the hazy past compared with the delightful reality of every Christmas morn! And it is that wondrous spirit, the spirit of glorious make-believe which stern adults must allow to fill their hearts and dissipate their care and capture for them the magic the happy child enjoys in this wondrous festive season.

'Be ye merry and make good cheer For Christmas comes but once a year.  
Scrape the fiddle, and beat the drum  
And bury the night ere morning come."

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

"\*Owing to the Christmas holidays the China Mail will not be published again until Wednesday afternoon."

Mr. A. G. M. Fletcher C.M.G., C.B.E. has resumed duty as Clerk of Councils.

The Supreme Court's Christmas vacation will commence on December 24 and terminate on January 1.

Mrs. W. W. Pears, wife of the Medical Officer for Health, has returned to the Colony from Home.

The Government Gazette notifies that the name of the Kunz Ping Commercial Agency Coy., has been struck off the register.

The King's Exchequer empowering Mr. Seiichi Takahashi to act as Consul-General for Japan at Hongkong has received His Majesty's signature.

The total output of the Kailan Mining Administration's mines for the week ending December 9, amounted to 91,854 tons and the sales during the period to 80,087 tons.

There will be an Xmas Draw of Toys at the New Garden City from 3 to 6 p.m. on Sunday 24th inst. The proceeds will go towards the Garden City Kindergarten School Fund. All are welcome. (Advert.)

The week-end presents the last opportunity of seeing "The Three Musketeers" at the Coronet as the screening of "Little Lord Fauntleroy," the Christmas week attraction featuring Mervyn Peake, is due to begin on Monday.

In the absence of any nominations to fill the vacancy on the Licensing Board caused by the retirement of Mr. McVicar Northcote, H.E., the Governor has appointed Mr. Chaloner Granville Alabaster, K.O., O.B.E., J.F., to be a member.

Lieutenant W. St. A. Mallett V.O., R.N., who took an active part in the formation of the E.A.S.M.A. and became first President of the organisation, was amongst the party of naval officers who left for Home by the Blue Funnel s.s. "Mentor" yesterday.

It is rumoured that a new Company called the Hongkong Realty and Trust Coy., is to be floated for the purpose of acquiring the Wine-mau site in Des Voeux Road and erecting upon it a big building to contain offices, premises, safe deposit vaults, a Stock Exchange, Raffles and a shopping arcade. It is understood that half of the 200,000 shares at \$10 each will be offered to the public.

## HONGKONG TRADE.

## THE DROP IN EXCHANGE.

The fortnightly trade report issued by the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce states:—  
Cotton piece goods and fancy cotton goods.—Since we last wrote there has been a fair amount of business in Grey and White Shirtings, mostly at rates far below replacing values. Sales of Fancy Goods have been effected on a moderate scale, at satisfactory rates. A Revised Standard Form of Contract for Fancy Goods has now been decided upon, and it is to be hoped that this will prove permanently satisfactory to all parties concerned. Clearances have fallen off. Cotton Yarn.—The continued decline in exchange has rendered business extremely difficult. Dealers are reluctant to pay enhanced rates and in consequence only an insignificant business has transpired at slightly higher prices.

Quotations are:—No. 10, \$158/185. No. 12, \$161/184. No. 16, \$182/197. No. 24, \$175/200. Arrivals, 7,500. Shipments nil. Sales, 1,500 bales. Unsold stock 10,000 bales. Bargains 10,000 bales.

Woolens.—The market is again quiet. The drop in exchange putting Bradford prices too far out.

Raw Cottons.—Owing to an entire absence of stocks there is nothing fresh to report and quotations are purely nominal. Indian descriptions at \$30/35 Chinese grades at \$32/33. Metals.—The drop in exchange has put prices beyond the level dealers will pay, and although there is a certain amount of enquiry, very little business has been reported. It will be some time before the market adjusts itself to the present basis of exchange and prices.

Flour market report.—Stock: About 600,000 sacks.

Quotations:—American Patent \$3.30 per sack, American Straight \$2.90 per sack, American Cut off \$3.00 per sack, Shanghai Flour \$2.95 per sack, Australian No. 1, \$3.20 per sack.

Sundries.—Window Glass, Market steady to firm, on account of fall of silver exchange.

Saltpetre.—The unexpectedly surprising collapse in Rupee exchange has considerably strengthened the market.

## STINGY REVELLER.

## DISPUTE OVER RICHIA FARE HOME.

A Chinese piece goods broker living in Landale Street, Wan-chai, charged a richia coolie before Mr. R. E. Lindell with having refused to take a fare. The complainant, in the witness box, said he had been to Sheklonghai last night, and returning at 2 a.m. he tried to engage the defendant's richia, near the Central Market, to take him home. He offered defendant 10 cents for the journey but defendant refused.

Magistrate: What only 10 cents to take you all that distance at 2 o'clock in the morning?  
Complainant: That is what I have always paid.  
Magistrate: Then you deserve to be refused. Stand down.  
Defendant was discharged.

## MILITARY LANDS.

## HON. MR. POLLOCK TO INQUIRE.

Information about the progress of the military lands scheme will be sought by the Hon. Mr. H. H. Pollock, K.O., at the meeting of the Legislative Council which is to be held next Thursday. Mr. Pollock will ask:—  
"Will the Government give information to the Council as to the progress of the negotiations for the transfer of the Military Establishments from their present sites to other sites which will not impede the commercial and residential expansion of the Colony?"

## FOSTERING EDUCATION.

## HONGKONG MERCHANTS GIFTS.

Mr. Fung Ping-shang, the wealthy merchant of San-yul, who has contributed \$110,000 towards the Canton High Normal School building funds, and \$15,000 for the prize fund (a total of \$125,000) is also a prominent merchant here. He is proprietor of the Shing Fung-Hong, a member of the District Watchman's Committee, and a Director of the People's Savings Corporation. Mr. Fung Ping-shang is one of those philanthropists who give and "blush to find it done."

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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

A quiet wedding took place at the house of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. McCallum No. 70 Yuen Road, last week when Miss Linda Barbara Pratt, of Ottawa, was married to Mr. F. W. Berry, also of Ottawa. Mr. Berry is connected with the Sun Life Insurance Company in Shanghai.

For the unlawful possession of 220 cigarettes of the "Hundred Sparrows" brand, bearing the forged "duty paid" mark, a Chinese woman was this morning fined \$50 by Mr. R. E. Lindell. The case against the Chinese charged with the unlawful possession of a forged "chop," was adjourned until Thursday next for hearing.

Shanghai would appear likely to possess an added political importance in the immediate future. A report is current that Ataman Simionov is there awaiting the arrival of Mr. Merkuloff, former chief of the Vladivostok Government, with whom co-operation is intended to establish a provisional Russian Government here.

TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENT

HONGKONG PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY.

OWING to the Christmas and New Year Holidays, practices of the choral section will be held at the Cathedral Hall at 5.15 p.m. on WEDNESDAY 27th December 1922, and WEDNESDAY 2nd January, 1923.

It is hoped that all members will endeavour to attend.

E. BULLOCK,  
Hon. Secretary.  
Hongkong, December 23, 1922.

TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

INSURANCE OFFICES.

NOTICE.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all FIRE & MARINE INSURANCE OFFICES will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business on MONDAY and TUESDAY, the 26th and 27th inst.

By Order,  
LOWE, BINGHAM & MATTHEWS,  
Secretaries  
FIRE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION OF HONGKONG.  
MARINE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION OF HONGKONG & CANTON.  
Hongkong, December 21, 1922.

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- 1 St. Julien Claret
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SHANGHAI AND BANGKOK	KIANBU	Dec. 26th 10 a.m.
SHANGHAI AND TIENTSIN	YUKICHI	Dec. 26th 10 a.m.
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## EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

## REPARATIONS.

New York, December 21st.  
Mr. Julius Barnes, President of the United States Chamber of Commerce, claims entire credit for the movement to survey German economic conditions which he states is due to American initiative. He has pledged his organization to support any action the Government may take towards this most important world-wide question involved in the reparations settlement.

Paris, December 21st.  
After a speech by Premier Poincare, on the question of reparations, the Senate passed a motion of confidence in the Government.

## LAND AND SEA ARMAMENTS.

WASHINGTON, December 21st.  
Senator Borah has introduced an amendment in the Senate, to the Naval Appropriations Bill, requesting President Harding to call a conference of the Powers to consider economic questions, and also the reduction of land and sea armaments. The amendment is apparently designed to replace the Appropriation Committee's amendment, requesting President Harding to call a new naval disarmament conference.

## DUTCH CONSOLIDATION LOAN.

THE HAGUE, December 21st.  
The First Chamber of the States General has passed, without a division, the Government Loan Bill mentioned in cable messages of 14th and 16th December.

## THE BAVARIAN OUTRAGES.

Paris, December 21st.  
Advice from Berlin state that the claims and requirements of the Conference of Ambassadors, as regards apologies for the Passau and other incidents mentioned in yesterday's cable messages, have already been fulfilled or constitutionally met.

## MILITANT WOMEN COTTON-MILL OPERATIVES.

SHANGHAI, December 22nd.  
Owing to a 40 cent fine being imposed by the foreman, two hundred women employees of the Handah Cotton Mill at Pootung (Shanghai) attacked and wrecked the mill offices, despite resistance by the male staff reinforced by a fire hose. The women were subsequently routed by a detachment of police with carbines which were snatched from policemen. Several male employees, including the offending foreman, were injured. The mill has been closed.

## ELECTION OF CHINA'S PREMIER.

PEKING, December 22nd.  
Directing attention to the fact that the ten days for which he had promised to act as Premier had expired, Dr. C. T. Wang yesterday formally tendered his resignation. The President has not yet replied, but it is understood that Dr. C. T. Wang will continue to act until the election of Chang Shou Tsang is completed.

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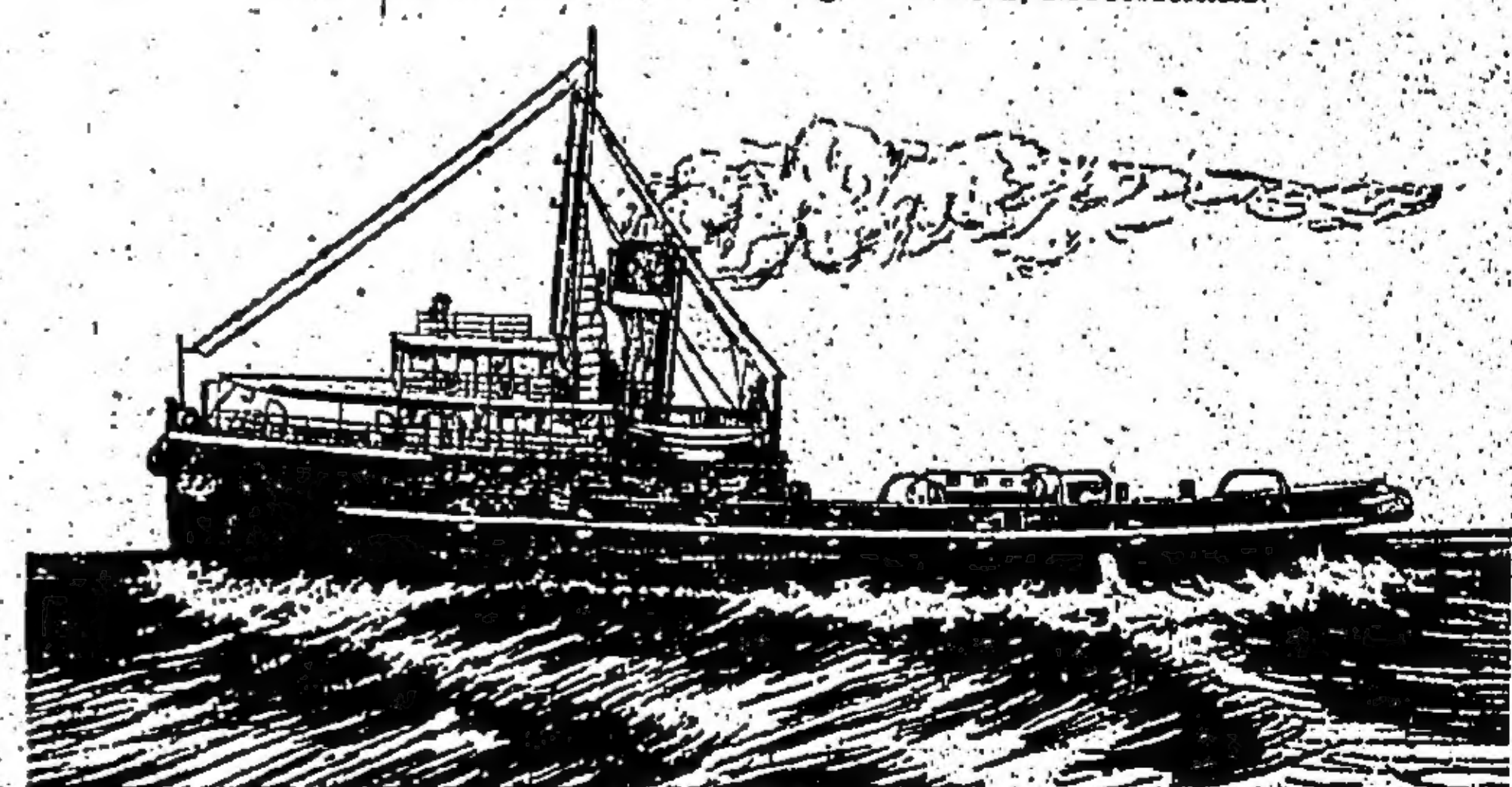
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"KASHGAR"	9,000	27th Dec.	India, Penang, Colbo & B'way
"PLASSY"	7,200	10th Jan. 1923	MAHARAJA, London & A'warp.
"SODAN"	6,700	10th Jan.	Spain, Penang, Colbo & B'way.
"SARDINIA"	6,500	24th Jan.	MAHARAJA, London & A'warp.
"NELORE"	6,500	24th Jan.	MAHARAJA, London & A'warp.
"SICILIA"	6,700	27th Feb.	Spain, Penang, Colbo & B'way.
"KASHGAR"	9,000	27th Feb.	India, Penang, Colbo & B'way.
"PLASSY"	7,200	10th Mar.	MAHARAJA, London & A'warp.
"SODAN"	6,700	10th Mar.	Spain, Penang, Colbo & B'way.
"SARDINIA"	6,500	24th Mar.	MAHARAJA, London & A'warp.
"NELORE"	6,500	24th Mar.	MAHARAJA, London & A'warp.
"SICILIA"	6,700	27th Apr.	Spain, Penang, Colbo & B'way.
"KASHGAR"	9,000	27th Apr.	India, Penang, Colbo & B'way.
"PLASSY"	7,200	10th May	MAHARAJA, London & A'warp.
"SODAN"	6,700	10th May	Spain, Penang, Colbo & B'way.
"SARDINIA"	6,500	24th May	MAHARAJA, London & A'warp.
"NELORE"	6,500	24th May	MAHARAJA, London & A'warp.

S. S.	Tons	From Hongkong (approx)	Destination
"JAPAN"	6,000	3rd Jan.	Singapore, Penang and Calcutta.
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S. S.	Tons	From Hongkong (approx)	Destination
"NELORE"	6,500	24th Dec.	Shanghai and Japan.
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KORFA MARU	25,000	Jan. 25th 1923
KORFA MARU	25,000	Feb. 1st 1923
KORFA MARU	25,000	Feb. 8th 1923
KORFA MARU	25,000	Feb. 15th 1923
KORFA MARU	25,000	Feb. 22nd 1923
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## EARLIER TELEGRAMS. (Reuter's Service to the China Mail.) THE BOXER INDEMNITY.

Peking, December 27th.  
Reuter's correspondent learns that the British Government has decided, in principle, to devote the future instalments of the British share of the Boxer Indemnity to purposes mutually beneficial to China and Great Britain.  
Pending an official communication to this effect, the Chinese Government has been informally notified of the intention of the British Government.

London, December 21st.  
The Times Muckden correspondent, in an article, suggests that no better use could be found for portion of the Boxer Indemnity than the endowment of a number of post-graduate scholarships, tenable in Great Britain, by Chinese students from the Straits Settlements and Hongkong.  
He emphasizes that China's greatest need at present is transport facilities, and he says he is sure there are many Chinese engineering students in Hongkong and the Straits Settlements who would, after graduating, be glad to study road making and other municipal enterprises in Great Britain.

Similarly, the Government, postal, telephone and telegraph administrations could offer openings to picked men, who would return to their native country imbued with the sound traditions of the British Civil Service, coupled with a technical knowledge of some special subject, and it would not be difficult to also arrange admission for a number of these endowed students to factories in Great Britain.

Commenting on the announcement from Peking, to the effect that Great Britain had decided to devote the Boxer Indemnity to purposes mutually beneficial to both countries, the Times says that this is a wise and graceful act of far-sighted statesmanship, and deduces that the money will be spent on the education of Chinese under British auspices.  
The Times is of opinion that in order to quicken the best elements in Chinese traditions with British ideas, only demands money, but careful forethought and intimate sympathy, the conditions for which are already present, and declares that the education should be thoroughly practical, and given, as far as possible, in the country itself.

## DEVELOPMENT OF CHINA'S RESOURCES.

London, December 21st.  
In the course of a speech at a dinner at the Overseas Chinese Society, Mr. Chao Hsin Chiu (Chinese Charge d'Affaires) said that helping China set her house in order would not only benefit China, but would also help keep China's door open for international trade, which would benefit the world generally, and Great Britain particularly. The more China's resources were developed the greater would be the benefit to Great Britain.  
As far as her foreign trade was concerned he felt confident that both countries were looking for harmonious co-operation.  
Sir Alfred Ewing (Vice-Chancellor University of Edinburgh) said the number of Chinese students in Edinburgh University was approximately one per cent. of the whole number. He wished the other nine-ninths were as good as the Chinese. No body of students was so completely satisfactory, but Chinese students were not overlooking the fact that they represent a civilization which has played a great part in the history of the world, and might be destined to play an even greater part in the future.

## INCREASED CHINESE POSTAL RATES.

SHANGHAI, December 1st.  
The Military Governor of Sungking and Shanghai, General Ho Feng Lin, stated at a meeting to-day that the new postal and telegraph rates were unwarrantable and were causing considerable hardship to people. He announced that the old rates would again come into force with his jurisdiction.  
The Postal Commissioner, Mr. Shields, it is asserted, is threatening to close down the Post Offices in his district, but the Chinese Telegraph Administration is announcing a renewal of the former rates.

## NEW RUSSIAN COMMERCIAL BANK.

BERLIN, December 21st.  
A Russian commercial bank, with a capital of ten million gold roubles, in which a Swedish banker is considerably interested, has been opened at Moscow. The bank is permitted to deal in foreign currencies and precious metals. These transactions have hitherto been restricted to the Soviet State Bank.

## NOTICE TO SHIPPERS AND PASSENGERS.

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Dec. 28.-J.O.J.L.  
FROM DALNY, Tjundari.  
Jan. 4.-J.C.J.L.  
FROM BANGKOK, B'way.  
Dec. 28.-E.A.  
FROM MANILA, B'way.  
Jan. 4.-J.C.J.L.  
FROM JAWA, West Ivan.  
Jan. 4.-U.S.S.B.  
FROM SINGAPORE, West Ivan.  
Jan. 4.-U.S.S.B.  
FROM CALCUTTA, B'way.  
Dec. 31.-B.T.  
FROM B'WAY, B'way.  
Dec. 28.-N.Y.K.  
FROM SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE, B'way.  
Jan. 4.-B.T.  
FROM PORTLAND, B'way.  
Jan. 25.-Col. P.S.  
FROM NEW YORK, B'way.  
Feb. 4.-B.F.  
FROM VANCOUVER, B'way.  
Dec. 28.-B.F.  
FROM SEATTLE, B'way.  
Dec. 28.-B.F.  
FROM LOS ANGELES, B'way.  
Jan. 23.-U.S.S.B.  
FROM SAN FRANCISCO, B'way.  
Jan. 23.-U.S.S.B.  
FROM EUROPEAN PORTS, B'way.  
Dec. 28.-B.F.  
FROM LONDON, B'way.  
Dec. 28.-B.F.  
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## NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.

THE BEN LINE STEAMERS, LTD.  
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From: ANTWERP, MIDDLESBRO, LONDON & STRAITS.  
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Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.  
No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 27th inst. will be subject to rent.  
All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Under signed on or before the 10th January, or they will not be recognized.  
All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 27th inst., at 10 a.m.  
No Fire Insurance has been effected.  
Bills of Lading will be counter signed by  
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD.  
Agents.  
Hongkong, December 21, 1922.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE.  
THE Steamship  
"PREUSSEN"  
having arrived, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby notified that all goods are being landed, at their risk, into the hazardous and/or extra-hazardous Godowns of the HONGKONG & KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN CO., LTD., whence and/or from the Wharves delivery can be obtained.  
No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after 24th December, 1922, will be subject to rent.  
All Claims must reach us by 30th December, 1922, or they will not be recognized.  
All damaged packages will be examined by Messrs Goddard & Douglas (Marine Surveyors) at 10 a.m. on the 22nd December, 1922.  
No Fire Insurance will be effected.  
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by  
ARNOLD BROTHERS & CO., LTD.  
Agents.  
Hongkong, December 18, 1922.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

"ELLERMA" LINE  
From HAMBURG, BREMEN and ROTTERDAM.  
THE Steamship  
"CITY OF YORK"  
having arrived, Consignees of cargo by her are informed that all goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of Holt's Wharf, whence delivery may be obtained.  
No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after 27th December, 1922, will be subject to rent.  
All claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Under signed on or before 3rd January, 1923, or they will not be recognized.  
All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesday or Friday between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and Noon, within the free storage period of one week.  
No Fire Insurance has been effected.  
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by  
THE BANK LINE LIMITED.  
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Hongkong, December 21, 1922.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 22nd inst.  
No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 23rd inst. will be subject to rent.  
All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Under signed on or before the 8th prox., or they will not be recognized.  
All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 23rd inst. at 10 a.m. by our surveyors Messrs Goddard & Douglas.  
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SHANGHAI via SWATOW	TINGSAO	Wed. 27th Dec. 10 a.m.
HAIKOW via SWATOW	LOKSAO	Fri. 29th Dec. 10 a.m.
SANDAKAN	HINANG	Sat. 30th Dec. 10 a.m.
BANGKOK via SWATOW	LUENANG	Sat. 30th Dec. 10 a.m.
STRAITS and GULFUTTA	DRUPAR	Sat. 31st Dec. 10 a.m.
Kobe	POKSAO	Wed. 3rd Jan. 3 p.m.
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SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila &c.  
TOSHIWA MARU ... Wednesday, 17th Jan. at 11 a.m.  
AKI MARU ... Wednesday, 14th Feb. at 11 a.m.  
NEW YORK & BOSTON via PANAMA.  
DURBAN MARU ... Wednesday, 3rd January.  
BUENOS AIRES via Singapore, Delagoa Bay, Durban & Cape Town.  
ROMRAY via Singapore & Colombo.  
KAMAKURA MARU ... Wednesday, 27th December.  
M'N BAY MARU ... Sunday, 31st December.  
JALCITTA via Singapore, Penang and Rangoon.  
OYUN MARU ... Sunday, 24th December.  
NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.  
MOJI MARU ... Friday, 29th December.  
AKI MARU ... Tuesday, 9th Jan. at 11 a.m.  
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.  
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## MUI TSAI PROBLEM.

### NEW BILL INTRODUCED.

#### WHAT THE SCHEME IS.

At a meeting of the Legislative Council next Thursday afternoon will be introduced, on the instructions of the Secretary of State for the Colonies a Bill which is officially described as an attempt to deal with the Mui Tsai problem.

The Bill is intitled "An Ordinance to regulate certain forms of domestic service" and the general scheme is to allow employers to keep the mui tsai they are at present employing but to prohibit the employment of any new mui tsai in the Colony. A part of the Bill deals with the registration and examination of mui tsai, this is not to come into operation until such date as may be advised by notification of the Governor in Council.

The objects and reasons state inter alia—

"This bill is introduced on the instructions of the Secretary of State, and is an attempt to deal with the mui tsai problem.

Clause 2 is declaratory. Payment to a parent or guardian by an employer who thereby obtains the custody of the child has never in this Colony conferred any rights upon such employer as against the parent or guardian, and has never conferred or such employer any right of retaining possession as against the child herself, but apparently some persons have ignorantly imagined that such rights could be transferred.

Broadly speaking, a mui tsai is defined as a female domestic servant whose employer obtained her services by means of a payment to any one.

Paragraph (ii) of the definition is intended to cover two cases. One is the case where a girl has been transferred by one employer to another, and the second is the case where an employer has died and the care of the household has devolved on, e.g., his son or widow.

Clause 4 provides that no person shall hereafter take into his employment any mui tsai. This of course will not prevent any non-employment under an ordinary contract for service a girl who was formerly employed as a mui tsai.

Clause 5 provides that no person shall hereafter take into his employment any female domestic servant under the age of 10 years. This is intended to prevent evasion, as in the case of a child under 10 it might be difficult to prove that she was a mui tsai.

Clause 6 deals with the treatment of mui tsai. It requires the employer to provide sufficient food and clothing, and in case of illness, such medical attendance as the employer might reasonably have been expected to provide for his own daughter. The clause also provides that no employer of a mui tsai shall overwork or ill-treat such mui tsai or subject her to any punishment to which he might not reasonably subject his own daughter.

Clause 8 deals with the question of registration, but it may be well to explain here that the general scheme of the bill is to allow employers to keep the mui tsai whom they have in their employment at present, but to prohibit the employment of any new mui tsai in the Colony. The right to retain existing mui tsai is of course subject to the right of the parents to reclaim their child, and to the right of the child to leave her employment of her own accord. All this is put broadly, and the limitations to the above statements will appear in the consideration of the particular clauses of the bill.

Sub clause (3) of clause 8 will enable the Secretary for Chinese Affairs to make it impossible for an undesirable employer to continue to employ any particular mui tsai as a mui tsai.

Part of the policy of the bill is to prevent transfers of mui tsai from one employer to another. It is, however, obviously necessary to provide for the case of the death of an employer, and in that event, the Secretary for Chinese Affairs will under clause 11 have power to make any order which he may think fit regarding the transfer of a mui tsai to, e.g., the widow of the former employer.

## OBITUARY.

### MR. ALEXANDER FERGUSON.

It came as a sad shock to his friends in Shanghai to learn of the death of Mr. Alexander Ferguson, which occurred on Dec. 13. For several days though in outward appearance looking very well, Mr. Ferguson had complained of pains in the back of the neck. Throughout Tuesday he attended business as usual. Returning home, after his day's work, he had dinner, and afterwards went to his bedroom, where a little later Mrs. Ferguson found him dying. The cause of death is said to have been sudden failure of the heart.

The late Mr. Ferguson, who was only 42 years of age, joined the staff of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank in London very early in this century, and after his preliminary experience there came out East in 1904 to join the staff of the Bank at Hongkong. In the following year he was transferred to Foochow, where he remained for a period of five years before becoming a member of the staff of the Shanghai branch. He was in Shanghai from 1910 until 1918, and then went home on leave. On his return to Shanghai a little more than two years ago, he left the service of the Bank to enter into partnership with Mr. E. Oxley Cumming, as an exchange broker.

Though always keenly interested in sport, his physical weakness prevented him from taking part in many field games, but he was always prominent in golf and billiards, and when in Foochow proved himself to be quite a good shot.

He leaves to mourn his loss, a widow and two young daughters, at present in Shanghai, to whom the deepest sympathy is extended.

In the A.D.O.'s Production of *The Tempest*, the auditorium will be in complete darkness during the progress of the storm. It is therefore specially requested that everyone will be in their seats punctually at 9.15 p.m.

17. Clause 12 declares that every mui tsai of or over the age of 18 years may leave her employment at any time, without any notice and without any payment whatsoever.

18. It would obviously be undesirable to encourage mui tsai under the age of 18 to exercise their legal right to leaving their employment and without any reference to their parents or guardians or to the Secretary for Chinese Affairs. Accordingly, clause 13 provides that every mui tsai under the age of 18 who wishes to be restored to her parents, and every mui tsai under the age of 18 whose parents wish such mui tsai to be restored to his or her custody, shall be so restored under the Secretary for Chinese Affairs sees some grave objection in the interest of the mui tsai to such restoration. For instance, he might refuse permission to restore a girl to the custody of a mother who was living an immoral life.

Clause 14 provides that every mui tsai of or over the age of 12 years and under the age of 18 years shall, as hitherto, have the right to apply to the Secretary for Chinese Affairs, and that upon any such application the Secretary for Chinese Affairs may make any order which he may think fit regarding the custody, control, employment and conditions of employment of the mui tsai.

20. Clause 15 provides that every mui tsai of or over the age of 10 years shall be entitled to such wages as shall be prescribed. Regulation 7 of the draft regulations published with the bill provides that every mui tsai over the age of 10 years and under the age of 15 years shall be entitled to wages at the rate of at least \$1 a month and that every mui tsai of or over the age of 15 years shall be entitled to the wages at the rate of at least \$1.60 a month. These wages may seem low by English standards, but they must be judged by local conditions, and it must not be forgotten that the girls are treated as members of the family, though not of course always as daughters would be treated. In many cases therefore the so-called wages might perhaps be better described as pocket money.

1. Not more than four months' clearance (including free godown, insurance, etc.) will be allowed from date of arrival or sale from stock after which date the buyer shall pay 9 per cent. per annum which shall cover interest, godown, insurance and all charges; the seller's right on buyer's failure to perform his obligation at due date of clearance shall be wholly unaffected by the provision for payment of the 9 per cent. herebefore contained. Buyers to have ten days' grace without payment, eleven days' interest, etc., to be paid on the eleventh day.

2.—On the arrival of the goods the sellers shall immediately inform the buyers in writing of the number of packages, marks, and numbers, the yardage, the name of the steamer and also supply to the buyers a shipment sample of the goods.

3.—Sellers are at responsible for delay in shipment or non fulfilment of contract if occasioned by strikes, fire, floods, war or civil commotions, or any other circumstances beyond their control, and the certificate of any British Chamber of Commerce or other representative Trade Corporation as to the cause of delay in shipment or non-fulfilment of contract shall be conclusive evidence thereof.

Should the delay due to the above causes be for a longer period than one month excluding the above 10 days' grace, the buyers shall have the option of cancelling or accepting the delayed portion of the contract which option must be exercised within two days, local official holidays excepted, of the receipt of notification.

4.—(a) Any dispute regarding quality, shade, finish, design, packing, delivery, etc., not settled amicably shall be referred to arbitrators to be appointed by the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce, and their findings shall be binding on both parties.

(b) Late shipment or non-arrival of one or more lots not to affect other shipments under this contract.

5.—Any goods not taken delivery of within the time specified shall remain at buyers' risk, excluding fire insurance and such risks as may be caused by negligence on the part of the sellers.

6.—The conditions of this contract shall be expressed in both English and Chinese languages, but no terms of this contract other than those expressed in the English language shall affect or be binding on the sellers.

These clauses shall not be varied or affected in any way by Chinese or other characters written or stamped on them by any person purporting to be acting on behalf of either party.

## PIECE GOODS DISPUTE.

### A TEMPORARY SETTLEMENT.

#### THE NEGOTIATIONS REVIEWED.

Last evening, the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce received an intimation from the Chinese Chamber of Commerce that, on certain conditions, the Chinese Piece Goods Guild has accepted the Chamber's new standard form of contract "for the time being." An outstanding question is to be submitted to the Manchester and Bradford Chambers and the Guild reserves liberty of action should the reply be unfavourable.

This marks what it is hoped will be the end of a long dispute. On the 3rd January 1921, the Chinese Piece Goods Guild asked the General Chamber of Commerce to get its members to adopt a uniform contract, complaining that it was very inconvenient to Chinese dealers to have to work with a different form of contract in respect of every importing firm, especially having regard to difficulty connected with translation. A few months later, the Guild submitted a suggested form which proposed that there should be six months' free godown accommodation instead of the usual four months, and that, thereafter, interest at the rate of eight per cent. per annum should be payable, instead of twelve. It was also proposed that goods should be ordered for arrival and not for shipment, which means that the shipper in Manchester would bind himself to get the goods to Hongkong by a certain date instead of, as at present, undertaking to ship them from Home by a certain date.

AN UNWORKABLE SUGGESTION.  
This contract was unacceptable to importers; the proposed arrival clause would be contrary to the practice of the trade in India and in the Far East generally, and open to serious objection by the shipper; also, in the opinion of most importers, it would be unworkable. Importers therefore agreed upon a standard form of contract which, on the 3rd September, 1921, was sent to the Guild, who replied, on September 23rd, 1921, "In reply, we beg to say that we cannot agree to some of the points therein." Discussion followed, but the matter fell into abeyance owing to the troubled labour conditions at the beginning of this year.

Later, the question was reopened at the request of the Guild and a conference between the Guild's representatives and members of the Piece Goods Sub Committee of the General Chamber of Commerce went very fully into the matters in dispute. The reasons why the Guild's request for arrival could not be accepted were fully explained, but later, after further negotiations, it was agreed that the Guild's request for a Chinese translation of the form of contract, and another minor request, should be granted.

REJECTED PROPOSALS.  
After this nothing more was heard from the Guild until October when a document was circulated by the Chinese brokers who said it was a form of contract on which dealers intended to work in future. On enquiry, the Guild admitted responsibility for the document although its name did not appear upon it. This proposed contract still insisted upon shipment for arrival, but agreed to a ten per cent. interest clause, instead of the reduction to eight per cent., formerly demanded. It was also proposed that in cases of dispute one of the arbitrators should be appointed by the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce.

Piece goods importers held a meeting at which they rejected these proposals, and a suspension of business which had existed for some time continued, although a good many dealers were found willing to sign the old standard form of contract.

THE INTEREST CLAUSE.  
At the end of November the Chinese Chamber of Commerce notified that they had been asked to act as mediators, and submitted an alternative contract similar to that of the Guild except that the interest clause suggested nine instead of 10 per cent.

In order to bring about a settlement, importers agreed to reduce the interest to nine per cent. and drew up a new contract which included the minor concessions that had already been offered but still insisted upon ordering for shipment. It was promised that, if desired, the Guild's request as to arbitration would be submitted to the Manchester and Bradford Chambers and further considered on receipt of their reply.

AMENDED CONTRACT.  
The Guild's response, as indicated in the opening paragraph of this narrative, was that pending this reply they have accepted the amended form of contract drawn up by the piece goods importers. The ensuing clauses of this document are as follows:

1.—Not more than four months' clearance (including free godown,

## "THE STORM."

"The Storm," the Universal-Jewel attraction which has won widespread commendation as the outstanding screen success of the year, comes to the World Theatre to-day for an engagement of four days. An all star cast, headed by House Peters, makes the screen version of Langdon Mitchell's world famous play an artistic triumph that holds the spectator spellbound. Virginia Valli and Matt Moore play the chief supporting roles. In fact this stellar trio carry the burden of the majority of the scenes.

With the action of the storm laid in the northern Canadian woods, exceptional opportunities were offered for intense dramatic scenes, and Director Reginald Barker took full advantage of each chance to build up the suspense element. The forest fire scene, in which the flames sweep along in leaps and spurts, is magnificent and exceeds the thrilling mechanical forest fire given in the stage presentation. Photoplay critics in New York, Chicago, and other metropolitan cities have been unanimous in their praise of the greatness of this Universal Jewel and the Manager of the Theatre is to be congratulated upon showing it here.

## SHANGHAI RECORD BILLIARD BREAK.

154 BY MR. R. O. K. JOHNSON.

Playing in the Shanghai Club on December 13, Mr. R. O. K. Johnson, a well known billiard player, made a record for the Club, scoring 154. The previous highest break was 145, a total compiled last year on two occasions, one by Mr. Johnson and the other by Mr. Gordon Morris.

Mr. Johnson was playing again the Rev. W. Robbins when he made the break. The table was rather slow, and after making 20 or 30 at the top end he found himself called upon to play all round in order to regain position. A similar state of affairs occurred on subsequent occasions. When about 120 or 130 he lost the white and completed his break off the red. Finally he potted the red at the bottom of the table and failed to score thereafter.

Insurance, etc., will be allowed from date of arrival or sale from stock after which date the buyer shall pay 9 per cent. per annum which shall cover interest, godown, insurance and all charges; the seller's right on buyer's failure to perform his obligation at due date of clearance shall be wholly unaffected by the provision for payment of the 9 per cent. herebefore contained. Buyers to have ten days' grace without payment, eleven days' interest, etc., to be paid on the eleventh day.

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5.—Any goods not taken delivery of within the time specified shall remain at buyers' risk, excluding fire insurance and such risks as may be caused by negligence on the part of the sellers.

6.—The conditions of this contract shall be expressed in both English and Chinese languages, but no terms of this contract other than those expressed in the English language shall affect or be binding on the sellers.

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## LAWN TENNIS.

### U.S.R.C. TOURNEY.

#### FINALS YESTERDAY.

The annual lawn tennis tournament of the U. S. R. C. concluded yesterday, when the finals were played off in the presence of a large gathering of tennis enthusiasts. Some very closely contested games were witnessed, and the standard of play was of a very high order. The tournament proved to be the most successful in the history of the Club, thanks to the record number of entries received. During the tournament 170 matches were played and out of this number, about 60 went to three sets or three sets, so keen was the competition. An outstanding feature of the tournament was Lieut. Comdr. Worthington's fine form. He gave a fine exhibition of good, sound tennis yesterday and won all the events in which he competed. Of the lady competitors, Miss P. Grace and Mrs. Roberts showed up above the average ability. Another fine lady player who deserves mention was Miss Wentworth the runner-up in the Singles.

#### RESULTS.

The results of yesterday's games were as follows:

Men's Singles: Pay Lieut. Commander Worthington beat Capt. Dods, 6-1, 3-6, 6-2.

Men's Doubles: Pay Lieut. Commander Worthington and Commodore Grace beat Capt. Forsyth and Capt. le Fleming 7-5, 6-0.

Ladies' Singles: Miss P. Grace beat Miss Wentworth 6-2, 8-6.

Ladies' Doubles: Misses P. and G. Grace beat Mrs. Roberts and Mrs. Bingham, 7-5, 6-4.

Mixed Doubles: Pay Lieut. Commander Worthington and Miss P. Grace beat Lieut. Commander B. Leigh and Miss G. Grace, 6-4, 6-4. At the conclusion of the tournament the trophies were distributed to the winners and runners-up by Mrs. Roberts, the wife of Lieut. Col. Roberts O. C. the 122nd Grenadiers.

## LATEST SHIPPING NEWS.

### ARRIVALS.

Taipei (Yee Tai Hong) from Canton.

—40.

Chipsing, (J.M. & Co.) from Haiphong.—C37.

Cheongshing, (J. M. & Co.) from Tientsin, Weihaiwei.—C38.

Apoc, (Wo Fat Sing) from Saigon.

—Or Stocenters.

Halvard, (Wo Fat Sing) from Bangkok.—C45.

Timanock, (J.C.J.L.) from Batavia.

—A29.

Empress of Asia, (O.P.S. Ltd.) from Vancouver, Manila.—Kowloon Wharf.

Bermuda, (Nemaroo) from Portland, Shanghai.—A8.

Abpittai, (Wai Hing & Co.) from Fort Bayard.—Co's Wharf.

Georgii, (Chau Yu Teng) from Haiphong, Hoihow.—C19.

Wuhu, (B. & S.) from Amoy.—

Takoo Dock.

Roepat, (J.C.J.L.) from Hamburg.

Manila.—Kowloon Wharf.

Wugo Maru, (Dodwell & Co.) from Chinwantao.—B49.

Lok Sang, (J. M. & Co.) from Shanghai, Swatow.—Co's Wharf.

Chihai, (B. & S.) from Canton.—C18.

Banyei Maru, (N.Y.K.) from Yokohama.—B50.

### DEPARTURES.

Banks, (J. Mannors & Co.) for Bangkok.—Dec. 22.

City of York, (Bank Line) for Yokohama, Shanghai.—Dec. 22.

Hsin Wah, (C.M.S.N.) for Canton.—Dec. 22.

Lok Sang, (J. M. & Co.) for Canton.—Dec. 22.

Chunwang, (J. M. & Co.) for Bangkok, Hoihow.—Dec. 23.

Hosui Maru, (M.B.K.) for Hongkong.—Dec. 23.

Benlomond, (Gibb Liv.) for Miki.—Dec. 23.

Kamun, (B. & S.) for Yokohama, Shanghai.—Dec. 23.

Taipei, (Yee Tai Hong) for Dairen.—Dec. 23.

Tonglee, (Yee Tai Hong) for Canton.—Dec. 23.

Yusang, (J. M. & Co.) for Shanghai, Swatow.—Dec. 24.

Kaijo Maru, (O.B.K.) for Keelung, Swatow.—Dec. 24.

Seintan, (Kuen Sang) for Swatow.—Dec. 24.

Chikrang, (J. M. & Co.) for Bangkok, Swatow.—Dec. 24.

Wray Castle, (Dodwell & Co.) for New York, Manila.—Dec. 24.

Siangshie, (Yee Tai Hong) for Chetoo, Weihaiwei.—Dec. 24.

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## CHURCH NOTES.

## CHRISTMAS DAY.

Monday is the birthday of Jesus Christ, the day on which God sent His beloved Son into this world, to accept voluntarily the limitations of an earthly body, that He might be the Saviour of mankind—it is a mystery we can not understand with our finite minds, but with faith and adoration we kneel to worship "The Word made Flesh." Why is it called Christmas? Mass was the word used until three hundred years ago, for Holy Communion, and so it is the day on which all who love Christ receive Him at this Sacrament under the veils of bread and wine—remembering how He veiled His glory as He lay there in the manger, a helpless Baby.

We think of the Shepherds hastening to worship Him and legend tells us of one shepherd who longed to go with the others and could not, because he had taken charge of a sick stranger who lay dying with no one but himself to care for him. The other shepherds thought some child had unfitted him to go to Bethlehem and when on their return they found him and the stranger both dead. They thought he had missed the Vision Beautiful but we know that they had seen the lesser vision "Veiled in flesh" and Shemuel saw the unveiled loveliness of Christ for evermore.

Christmas is especially the Feast of children. In most Christian countries, stockings are hung up and filled overnight with toys—by St. Nicholas say some, by Father Christmas say the English children, and by a woman called the "Babouska," say the Russians. The Wise Men on their way to Bethlehem met the Babouska and said "Come with us and worship Him" and she made answer, "I will come but not now." She left it too late and never saw the Christ Child, so her spirit, filled with longing, still lives, and searches for Him from house to house, filling the children's stockings as she goes, hoping that among them she may one day give a present to the little Christ Child. When she is asked so long ago. Brave spirit—wandering through the ages refusing to believe that with Christ it is ever too late; "In as much as she does it unto the least of one of these, My brethren, she does it unto Me."

In the olden days mince pies were made not round but in the shape of cradles, in remembrance of the Manger bed.

Tuesday is St. Stephen's Day, the first Martyr, who was stoned to death thirty three years after Christ. One of the greatest of the Christian Martyrs, suffering both in will and deed, crying out, "Lay not this sin to their charge." And they that stood by "saw his face as it had been the face of an Angel."

Wednesday is the feast of St. John the Evangelist, one of the sons of Zebedee. He is the author of the fourth Gospel and the Book of Revelations, an account of the visions vouchsafed to him while he was an exile on the Island of Patmos, sent there because Domitian was unable to cause his death, (he had had him thrown into a cauldron of boiling oil but St. John was miraculously unharmed.)

His Gospel was written chiefly to obviate the early heresies (especially the one of denying the divinity of Christ and disbelief in His existence before the Incarnation) and to supply the details omitted by the other Evangelists.

He is the Patron Saint of our English Cathedral in Hongkong.

Thursday is Holy Innocents Day, when we commemorate the little Jewish children under two years old who died by order of Herod, in the vain hope that among them would be the Child Jesus. So this coming week of Christmas is followed by three weeks of Martyrs. St. Stephen who suffered in will and deed, St. John who suffered in will but not deed, and the Holy Innocents who suffered in deed but not in conscious will.

There is a beautiful story told by St. Jerome of Mary's last Christmas

## SENSATION IN STATUE SQUARE.

## LUNATIC AT LARGE.

Accosted by the police at 2 o'clock this morning, a decrepit old gentleman wandering about in Statue Square gave his name as Gonzalo, said he was intimately connected with *The Tempest* and asked to be directed to Magistrates where, he said, he had much business appertaining. On being further questioned, he made some rambling statement about having heard strange noises in the air, describing them as "marvellous sweet music." Violently protesting the while, he was taken to the lunatic asylum and locked up for the night. Our interviewer this morning found him in a calmer mood, though the warders spoke of high jinks during the night. It appears that the old gentleman is well connected in Naples and recently suffered shipwreck. He is to be released on Boxing Day on the arrival in the Colony of his shipwrecked compatriots, the sight of whom, it is hoped, may relieve the poor man's dementia.

on earth. St. John has well fulfilled the dying request of Jesus to be a son to His dear Mother. Together they are sitting in his home talking of that first Christmas day, and as they recall all the lovely memories that centre round the Manger, Mary is filled with a great longing to go to Bethlehem and in that same stable to kneel and adore her Son in the blessed sacrament of the Holy Communion, again made flesh by the sacerdotal power of His disciple John. One of the shepherds, very old now, but never forgetting the vision of Angels which led him to worship the Christ Child, has also gone to the stable, and when Mary and John enter they find him asleep on the threshold.

"Starting up 'Oh, am I dreaming? 'Tis the same sweet Mother mild; Never could this heart forget her, she who held the blessed Child."

Then with tears 'Oh, Lady Mother, on that night so long ago I was but a little shepherd, keeping sheep amid the snow.

And I gave Him, my one treasure, of the flock the fairest lamb; And He smiled upon me Lady, such a smile, as sweet as balm,

And I never forgot it Lady, as in foreign lands I trod, For its memory ever vivid, kept me always true to God.

Lady now I'm old and weary and I wanted just to see 'Ere I died that spot so hallowed, where my God had smiled on me.

Then our Lady sat beside him and of Jesus gently spoke Told him of His life and Passion, how His tender heart had broke.

Down the old man's cheeks so furrowed tenderly the hot tears ran, As he listened to the story of God's wondrous love for man.

Like a second sped the light hours, while these two knelt side by side That old shepherd and God's Mother, God Himself to both allied.

Now at midnight, at John's summons, came the Lord of heaven to earth; Came again the Babe of Bethlehem to the cave that gave Him birth.

On that night a first Communion, in that lovely shed was made, 'Twas the shepherd's first Communion; 'twas his last Viaticum.

Morning dawned. The early sun beamed, lightening up that lowly shed; Showed our Lady still in rapture at her feet the shepherd dead.

Yes, his simple heart had broken in an ecstasy of joy. And the old man saw the sweet smile that Lad won the shepherd boy."

## CHURCH NOTICES.

## ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL.

HONGKONG 24TH DECEMBER, 1922.

4TH SUNDAY IN ADVENT.

Holy Communion at 8 a.m.

Masses 11 a.m.

Responses: Ferial; Venite: Barby;

Psalm: 84; Troubadour: To Dorn;

Woodward; Smart; Tule; Benedictus;

Treat (7th morning); Anthem: "To God on High." Mendelssohn;

Hyman: 48.

Litany (18 noon).

Evangelium (6 p.m.)

Responses: Ferial; Psalm: 97; Mu-

farren; Marmiteat; Smart; Nuno

Diutius: Barby; Carol 6: "The

First Nowell; Tenors: 3, 5; Tenors

and Basses: Carol 14: "What

Child is this?" Carol 2: "The Man-

ner Throned." (Pastoral Symphony

from the Messiah (Benedict) Carol 10:

"Good King Wenceslas;" Carol 11:

"When I view the Mother hold-

ing;" Carol 17: "A Child this day

is born;" Tenors: 3, 4; Tenors

and Basses; Hyman: 63.

St. John's Cathedral, Hongkong, Christ-

mas Day, 12th. Holy Communion

(7 and 8 a.m.); Masses (11 a.m.,

Responses: Ferial; Venite: Critch;

Christmas Day; Psalm: 19; Monk;

To Dorn; Haverall; Treat; Haver-

all (7th); Benedictus; Bennett (3rd

evening); Anthem: "A Child this

day is born;" Hyman: 63, 65.

Holy Communion (18 noon).

## Wesleyan Church, Queen's Road East.

Opposite Royal Naval Hospital, Wanchai.

Sunday, 24th December, 1922.

10.15 a.m. Divine Service and Naval and

Garrison Church Parade. Hymns and

Chant 128. To Dorn, 861, 123.

12.15. Subject: "Christmas in the

Gospels." (1) Christian Ex-

position; Preacher: Rev. Dr. Chas-

les; For: 110. 8 p.m. Special

Carol Service arranged by the

Organist and Choir. 23th 10.15 a.m.

Sho't Christmas Service. Hymns

121, 131, 132. Subject: "The

Christ Child in Story and Legend

Preacher: Rev. Dr. Chasles.

Wesleyan "Sailors and Soldiers" Room,

Arcenal Street. Sunday, 8 p.m.

Chaplain's Meeting and Social hour.

Monday, 25th. Christmas Party from

8 p.m. Wednesday, 8.00 p.m. Wesley

Guild, Friday, 8.00 p.m. To. Social

Sale of Work, Competitions, and

Games and Musical Programme

Saturday, 8 p.m. Grand Concert by

"The Wayfarers" in Large Hall.

Union Church, Kennedy Road.

Sunday, Services, December 24th 1922.

Morning Service, at 11 a.m.

Evening Service, at 6 p.m.

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Mission. Preacher: Rev. J. Kirk

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St. Andrew's Church, Nathan

Road, Kowloon.

24th December, 1922.

4th Sunday in Advent.

8.15 a.m. Holy Communion.

11 a.m. Morning Prayer and Sermon.

2.15 p.m. Bible Classes and Sunday

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R.A.P.C.—Captain R. B. Cartwright and wife.

The "Delta" resumes her voyage on the 15th.

The American University Club gave a dinner on December 13, at the Carlton Cafe in honour of Dr. Alfred Sze, Minister to Washington, and Mr. Suag Han-chang, President of the Bank of China. The United States Consul General, Mr. E. S. Cunningham, paid a glowing tribute to Dr. Sze's work as delegate to the Peace Conference and Chinese Minister to the Court of St. James, to the results of his labours at the Washington Conference and, finally, his present position in Washington.

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Hugo Stinnes and Marquis de Lubersack.

Hugo Stinnes, richest man in Germany, is seen with the Marquis de Lubersack, who represented France at a conference regarding the work of separation in northern France.



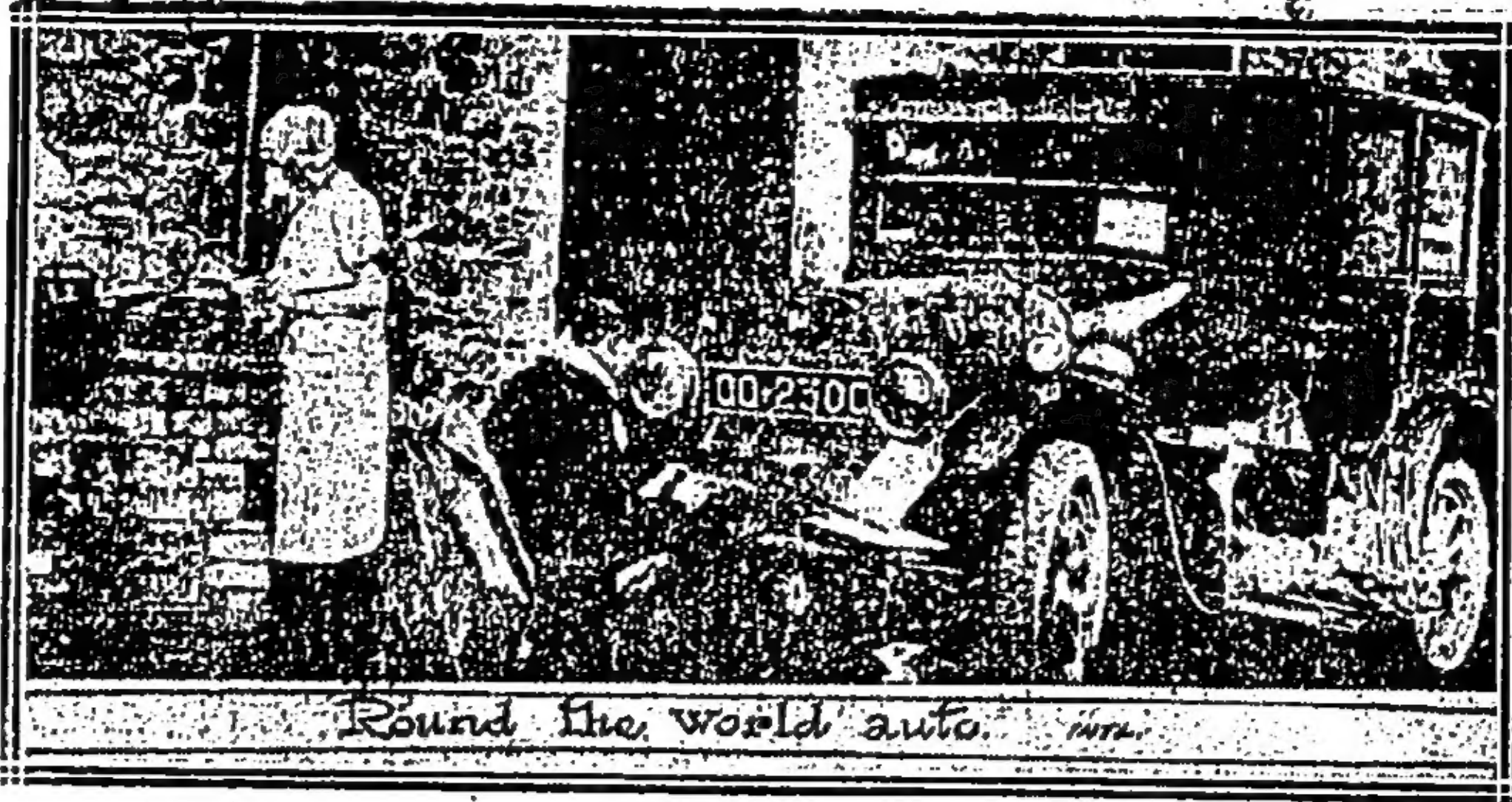
German Customs Control.

The cheapness of the German mark has caused the establishment of stringent custom inspections all along the German-Swiss frontier. Officers examine every person passing out of Germany to see that no goods are taken out.



George E. Eye and Mrs. Rebecca Garnet.

George E. Eye, an eighteen-year-old youth of Calais, Maine, is shown here with his sixty-three-year-old grandmother, Mrs. Rebecca Louise Craig Eye Garnet, who left her bedridden husband and married her own grandson in St. Stephen, New Brunswick. When the officiating clergyman, W. C. H. Goucher, of St. Stephen, learned of their relationship, he rushed to their home, seized the marriage certificate, tore it up and declared the marriage invalid.



Round the world auto.

Mr. Jeffreys and his wife, who is known on the American stage as Pauline Mayo, are creating considerable astonishment in England in their "Round the World" automobile, on which they live. They started from their Ohio home last June and will remain on their tour for several years. They intend to leave Europe in March for Turkey, Persia, India, China, Japan and the United States. Jeffreys is a writer.



Lady Joan Mulholland.

Lady Joan Mulholland, youngest daughter of the fifth Earl of Stratford, is soon to wed General, the Earl of Cavan, Chief of the British Imperial Staff, who commanded the British troops in Italy after the Piave disaster.



Prince & Princess Lubomirski.

Prince Casimir Lubomirski, Polish Ambassador to Washington, has returned to America to take up his duties.



Nelson Phillips.

Many Texas attorneys have urged President Harding to name Judge Nelson Phillips, former Chief Justice of that State, to the vacancy in the U.S. Supreme Court caused by the resignation of Justice Day.



Alfred E. Smith and George R. Lunn.

Former Governor Alfred E. Smith, New York City, and Mayor George R. Lunn, of Schenectady, are, respectively, candidates for Governor and Lieutenant-Governor of New York State.



After leaving his official residence at No. 10 Downing Street, London, when he resigned as Premier of Britain, Mr. Lloyd George has taken a new home at No. 86 Vincent Square, Victoria, South Wales.



Mrs. Kylie Bellew.

Mrs. Kylie Bellew, the actress, who is the wife of Mr. Arthur Beuchier, was a candidate for Parliament.



M. Orme Wilson, Jr.

M. Orme Wilson, Jr., has sailed for Switzerland, where he will act as First Secretary to the American Legation in Bern.



Ambassador Ricci.

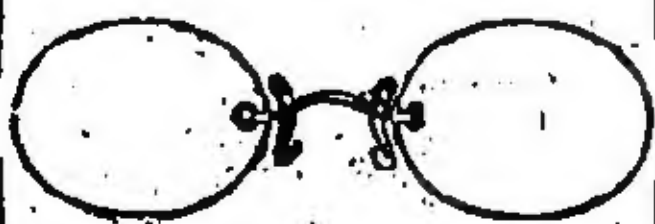
Italian Ambassador Ricci, who represents Italy in the United States, has tendered his resignation, following the victory of the Fascists in that country.

## CHRISTMAS CARDS LATEST DESIGNS.

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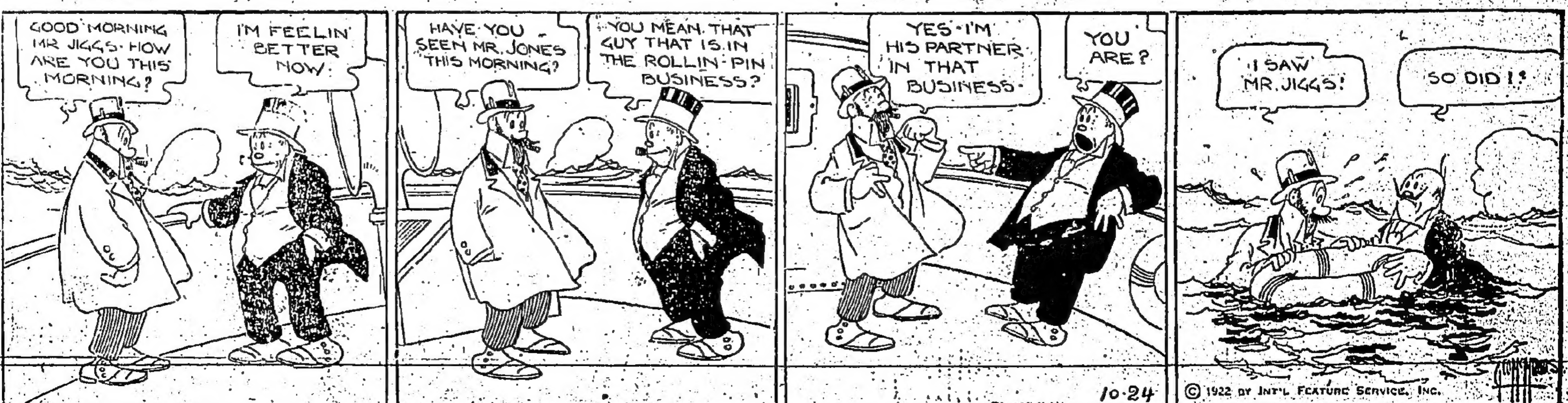
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## CHILDREN'S CORNER.

(Continued from Page 2.)

"Yes, anything that's any use I'll gladly do," I said.

The Queen looked up and smiled at me.

"Then stoop and bend your head."

"This just the very thing we want. Your hair is black as night. Give me one lock—elves make a fire, And then all will be right."

The fairies ran at her command. Brought wood and kindled it. While from my head with scissors bright She snipped a tiny bit.

Then (how it! the pot and waved Her wand first up, then down, And as she did this by the walls Trees grew up round the town.

The strangest tree you ever saw, So tall and thin and straight, At first they were quite small but soon Sprang up at such a rate.

On every branch a daisy grew, I gazed with all my might, And Father Christmas seemed amazed.

"I never saw such a sight!"

He said, "And thank you very kind for giving up your hair."

My thanks were well to you fair Queens, For I was in despair.

Now hasten once again my elves."

They climbed the trees so tall, Some cut the daisy-stems one by one, Then down I saw them fall.

They piled them in the sled. The daisy stems were ready to depart.

I saw them prancing up and down, And wished with all my heart

There was a seat for me to ride With Father Christmas back.

But there was only room for him, The toys and his huge sack.

"Farewell kind Queen, farewell dear elves."

He cried and waved his hand, Then sprang into his seat and drove away out of Toyland.

I leapt up too and hurried back. 'Twas almost Christmas Day, I knew I'd find whole heaps of toys And things with which to play.

About my visit to Toyland, No grown-up knew. It is such fun I rather think would just have laughed And said, "Why tried with play."

You slept and went there in a dream, That's what occurred to you!

But yet—though it was very strange—I feel quite sure 'twas true.

PETER PAN.

## MARY'S STOCKING.

Mary had been talking a lot about Christmas and especially about hanging up her stocking.

"I do wonder what I shall have in it, Mother," she said, "It is such fun to wake up early when it is dark or perhaps just getting light. Then I feel in my stocking and guess what all the things are apples and oranges and nuts and last year there was a lovely baby doll and a pencil box too."

"Well don't wake up too soon," laughed her mother, "Or perhaps Father Christmas will not have been and you will find an empty stocking."

Snip and Snop were listening to all this attentively and as Mary and her mother left the room Snip said, "Shall we give Mary a present and put it in her stocking?"

"Yes," answered Snop, "That would be rather fun. We can sleep on the mat outside her room and when she is fast asleep we can jump on a chair and put our present in her stocking and then when she wakes up and finds it we shall be close by and can see how she likes it."

This was a long speech (spoken of course all in growls and short barks) and Snop was walking up and down the room his tail quivering with excitement. Both the dogs were very generous and they were so fond of Mary that they were always trying to think of nice things for her and how they could please her.

"But what can we give her?" puzzled Snip.

"I know," Snop said, "Do you remember how pleased Mary was when we gave her our bones on her birthday?"

For Mary had certainly pretended to be very pleased because she knew that the dogs had meant it kindly and it was so nice of them to have given up their bones. But, at the same time, she did not know at first what to do with them until she thought of giving them to Snorrum the cat. Snip and Snop however did not know anything about this.

"You really are clever at thinking of these things," said his brother admiringly, "We will save our (nicer) bones and that will do."

And they were so pleased at having thought of this that they turned head over heels and nearly knocked over Mary, who was just coming into the room again.

Fortunately for the dogs on Christmas Eve they were both given a big bone nearly covered with meat.

"Mine is the best," cried Snop, "I will give it to Mary."

"No no," his brother replied, "There is ever so much more meat on mine. It is far better than yours."

And they nearly came to blows over this question until suddenly Snip sat down and laughed.

"How silly we are to be quarrelling like this," he barked, "When you look at them there is hardly any difference. But I know what we can do. We will call in Snorrum and she shall decide which is the better one."

"You always manage to settle everything," Snop said admiringly, "I will find Snorrum and then we shall see what she says."

Snorrum was only outside in the garden and soon came in and when she heard about the bone she sat down in front of them with a wise air and put her paw up to her head.

"There was silence for a moment or two and then she said, "They are both exactly the same but this one (pointing to Snop's bone) looks easier to break. You had better divide that one and give the other to Mary."

"Clever Snorrum!" growled the dogs, "Thank you for helping us."

And Snip added, "As a reward you shall have the first bite off my half of the bone."

"And off mine too," echoed Snop.

Snorrum daintily nibbled a bit off each side and then it nip broke the bone in half and they hid the other one outside in the garden.

Mary went to bed early that night, leaving the dogs apparently fast asleep in their barks, but when the house was quiet and all the lights out they crept up to her room and peeped cautiously inside.

Mary was fast asleep and as the moon was shining through the window they could see her sitting hanging on the end of the bed.

Snip jumped on to a chair, Snop landed him the bone and Snip pushed it into the top of Mary's stocking which was full of little parcels. Then they both lay down on the mat, put their heads between their paws and went to sleep.

It was almost daylight when they woke up with a start and they could hear Mary's bed creak as they sat up.

The next moment Mary gave a piercing shriek and sprang out of bed and in what seemed hardly a minute, her mother and father came running into her room with a lighted candle.

"What is it Mary? What is the matter?" cried her mother.

"My stocking!" gasped Mary, "I don't know what is in it. Perhaps..."

Then her eyes fell on Snop, sitting bolt upright by her bed, looking rather anxious as if he could not understand what all the fuss was about.

"Oh I know now," she laughed, "It is another present from my dear dog. I was so sleepy that I never thought of that." And she pointed to the bone which was sticking out of the top of her stocking.

"Don't you like it Mary?" barked Snop and tears came into Snip's eyes for they both felt that something was wrong, yet they could not understand how anybody could help liking a big bone covered with meat.

"Like it, of course I do," cried Mary, who understood what Snop was trying to say. "Thank you both very much. I will put it on my washstand and then I can see it when I wake up."

And she lifted the bone out rather gingerly between one finger and thumb, afterwards dipping them in her basin of water.

"Well now Mary, suppose we all go to sleep again," suggested her father and her mother was already tucking her up once more.

When they had gone Snop said to Snip in a sleepy voice, "I don't understand what all the fuss was about, do you?"

"No I certainly do not," answered Snip, "But anyway she seemed very pleased with the bone when she found what it was. Listen—she is fast asleep again. I vote that we sleep too."

"Quite right," muttered Snop, nodding his head, "You are always right Snip."

And in another minute there was silence once more.

## A MINCEMEAT GAME.

All the answers are things found in mince meat.

1. Something that grows in a garden or field.
2. The capital of Ceylon and a famous British statesman connected with the Police force.
3. An action performed by a girl.
4. Often met with in a stream or river.
5. The wife of a Turkish monarch.
6. The cause of the downfall of Eve.

Answers:

1. Flour (Flower).
2. Candy peel.
3. Suet (Sue eat).
4. Currant (Current).
5. Sultana.
6. Apple.

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# BUSINESS DIRECTORY

**Alkali Manufacturers**  
**Granter, Mond & Co. (China), Ltd.**  
 Alkali Manufacturers.  
 Tel. Cen. 1680. 7, Queen's Rd. Central

**Auctioneers**  
**Hughes & Hough**—Coal Contractors,  
 General Auctioneers and Brokers.

**Banks**  
**The Bank of Canton, Ltd.**  
 Des Voeux Road Central.

**The Bank of East Asia, Ltd.**  
 Des Voeux Road Central, Hongkong.

**China Specie Bank, Ltd.**  
 6, Duddell Street.

**The Chinese Merchants' Bank, Ltd.**  
 Alexandra Bldg., Chater Road

**Building Contractors**  
**Wing On & Co.**  
 Building Contractors.  
 54, D'Almeida Street. Tel. Cen. 1567

**Building Materials and Plumbing Supply**  
**Lee Koo**, Building Contractor,  
 Land & Sanitary Appliances.  
 1, Wellington Street. Tel. Cen. 1463  
 Manager, Lee Ju Cheung.

**Coal Merchants**  
**Allen Mining & Co., Ltd.** (Incorporated in U.S.A.)  
 Coal, Lignite & Steamship Owners.  
 Bituminous Coal, Coke, Firebricks.

**C. Kimura & Co.**  
 2, Connaught Road Central.

**Swong Sang & Co., Coal Merchants**  
 10 Des Voeux Rd. Tel. Cen. 2736

**Masani & Co.**, 5 Queen's Road Central,  
 Merchants, Coal Contractors and  
 Shipping Agents—Phone Cen. 1543.

**Cotton Yarn Importers**  
**Osaka Kishida & Co., Ltd.**  
 Importers of Cotton Yarn & Piece  
 Goods; No. 1, Macao Street, Bank  
 Building. Tel. Cen. 2774 and 2009.

**Curio Dealers**  
**St. Fat**, Chinese Curio, Jade and  
 Fine Art Porcelain, Synchronizing  
 with the Ancient Chinese Pictures.  
 6, Wyndham Street, Hongkong,  
 opposite Coronet Theatre

**Lock King**, Chinese Curio and Silver Ware

**Dentist**  
**Serry Lee**, Dentist,  
 1st floor, No. 74, Queen's Road  
 Central, Tel. Central No. 1225.

**Electrical Suppliers**  
**The Globe Electrical Supply Co.**  
 Electrical Suppliers & Contractors.  
 12, Queen's Rd. Central. Tel. Cen. 3370

**San Hing Co.**, Electro-platers and  
 Electrical Contractors also Typewriter  
 Repairs, 10 Pottinger St. Tel. Cen. 3580

**Engineers & Shipbuilders.**  
**W. S. Bailey & Co. Ltd.**  
 Engineers & Shipbuilders.  
 Kowloon Bay  
 New Work & Repairs  
 Call King "L."

**Glass Merchants**  
**A. Ling & Co.**, Glass Merchants,  
 Furniture, Mirror and Canton Marble  
 Manufacturer, Electro-plated, Glass  
 and Crystals, Ware and Photo  
 Supplies, 19, Queen's Road Central,  
 Tel. Central No. 1218.

**Importers & Exporters**  
**Che Bros. & Co.**, Importers and  
 Exporters and Commission Agents.  
 Des Voeux Road.

**The Hongkong Import Co.**,  
 Importers and Exporters.  
 Tel. Cen. 3057, 37, Queen's Road Central.

**Swong Yim & Co.**, 50 Queen's Road  
 Central, Ro Chi Chung (Manager),  
 Swong King Hin (Asst.). Tel. Cen. 3163.

**Maeda Trading Co.**  
 Importers and Exporters,  
 MIKRO—Japanese fine art curios,  
 24 Queen's Road Central. Tel. Cen. 1258

**Wan Sing Loong**,  
 37-39 Queen's Road Central,  
 General Merchants, Wine & Cigar  
 Merchants, General Importers,  
 Exporters of Chinese Produce.  
 Tel. Cen. 2nd 551.

**Satell & Co.**, P. O. Box 316

**Land & Estate Agents**  
**Sam Yick Cho**, Land & Estate Agents  
 Tel. Central 911-1067,  
 25, Queen's Road Central.

**Leather Goods**  
**Wan Sang Saitase Co.**  
 Post makers of Leather Saitase,  
 Hand Bags, Fur, Bells, etc.  
 12 Pottinger St., 88 Queen's Rd. Ch.  
 and 38 Hillier St.

**Pik Ah**, Manufacturer of Leatherware,  
 Saitase, Handbags & Leather  
 goods, 219, Queen's Road, 44,  
 Victoria Street, Tel. Central 1749.

**So Hing**, 219 Des Voeux Road, Manu-  
 facturers of Leather Saitase, Hand  
 Bags, Trunks, etc.

**Matting**  
**Cheong Long**, Dealer in Mats, Rugs,  
 Mats, Rugs, etc., also Rattan and  
 Twine, 20, Bonham Strand, East,  
 Tel. Cen. 713, Mgr. Chung Tso Ting.

**Merchants**  
**Asia Commercial & Development Co.**  
 China Bank Buildings (3rd floor) Tel. 3699

**Gibbs, J. & Co.**, Alexandra Building.

**Millinery**  
**Madame Lily**,—Alexandra Building.  
 Latest fashions and creations from  
 Paris in Frock and Millinery.  
 "The Centre of Fashion."

**Miners**  
**China Commercial Co., Ltd.**  
 Miners, Importers and Exporters.  
 14-56 Queen's Road Ct. Tel. Cen. 2892.

**Hop Yick, Manganese Mining Co.**  
 Miners, 34, Queen's Road. Tel. Cen. 2783

**Modistes**  
**Madame Flirt**,  
 31, Queen's Road Cen. Tel. Cen. 689.  
 (Latest Parisian models)

**Optician**  
**The Hongkong Optical Co.** Phone 2232.  
 23, Queen's Road Central

**N. Lazarus, Optician**,  
 Tel. Cen. 2203, 15, Queen's Rd. Central.

**Photographers**  
**Mee Cheung**,—Photographer,  
 24, 100 House Street,  
 7, Rosefield Arcade (Branch),  
 Developing & Printing undertaken.

**Providers**  
**Yee Hing Tomy & Co.**, Dealers in  
 100% Goods, New Shoes, Choc-  
 olate, Soft Felt Hats, Pipe, Wool  
 Dress, Sweater singlets, Ties, Razor  
 blades.  
 23, Pottinger Street. Tel. Cen. 3018

**Printers**  
**The "China Mail," General Printers,**  
 Publishers and Bookbinders.  
 5, Wyndham Street. Tel. Cen. 12.

**Victoria Printing Press**, Tel. 1399,  
 Printers, Publishers, bookbinders,  
 Stationers, Rubber Stamp Makers  
 No. 2, D'Almeida Street.

**Scales**  
**Mustard & Co.**, Connaught Road Ctl.

**Ship Chandlers**  
**Chang Fook**, 78 Connaught Rd. Ctl.  
 1st floor. Tel. Central 638.  
 Shipchandlers, Storekeepers and  
 Comrades.

**Wang Kee & Co.**, Shipchangers,  
 Comrades, Storekeepers & Coal  
 Merchants, Dredge & Pilot supply.  
 No. 36 & 37, Connaught Road, Tel.  
 Central No. 946.

**Shipowners**  
**Man Wing S.S. Co., Ltd.**,  
 88 Bonham Strand West. Tel. Cen. 1710  
 Regular fortnightly service  
 Hongkong and Haikow via Heibow  
 and "Haitan."

**Thai Thuan S.S. Co., Ltd.**,  
 147 Wing Lok Street, East, Tel. Cen. 93.  
 s.s. "Deiwee" s.s. "Fourbon"  
 between Hongkong and Saigon.

**Shoemakers**  
**Jam Kee**, Dealer in Sewing Machines  
 and Accessories, Boot & Shoe Maker,  
 7 Pottinger Street.

**WONG SU WONG**  
 MOOTS, SHOES & SLIPPERS FOR LADIES, GENTS  
 & CHILDREN, BEST DESIGNS, PRICES MODERATE  
 21, POTTINGER ST., HONG KONG.

**Silk Stores**  
**D. Chellaram**—Royal Silk Store,  
 30a Queen's Road Central, dealing  
 in the finest Chinese, Georgetown and  
 European silks.

**Pohoonm Bros.**, 36, Queen's Rd. C.

**Tailors**  
**ah Yung**, Tailors, Drapers & Out-  
 fitters, Hat & Clothing, Suits made  
 to order, No. 74, Queen's Road  
 Central, Tel. Central No. 2830.

**Sing Cheong**,  
 Ladies and Gentlemen's Tailor,  
 24, Wyndham Street, 2nd floor.

**Tobacco, Cigarettes**  
**British American Tobacco Co.**  
 (China), Ltd., 15-19 Connaught Road

**Typewriters, Etc.**  
**Mustard & Co.**, Connaught Road Ctl.

**Wine & Spirit Merchants**  
**Kwan Yee**, General Storekeeper,  
 Wine & Spirit Merchant,  
 No. 102, Queen's Road Central.

## HOLIDAY FIXTURES.

### TO-DAY'S SPORT.

#### LEAGUE CRICKET.

C.R.C. v. H.K.C.C. on C.R.C.

Indians v. R.G.A. on the Military

Indians 2nd XI v. Royal Engineers

on Indians' ground.

#### FRIENDLY MATCHES.

University v. Infantry on University

ground.

Civil Service v. Navy at Happy

Valley.

Kowloon 2nd XI v. Civil Service

2nd XI on Kowloon ground.

H.K.C.C. 2nd XI v. Wayfoong on

H.K.C.C. ground.

#### RUGBY.

Cup-tie Army v. Navy, Club ground.

Kick off 4.15 p.m.

#### LEAGUE FOOTBALL.

##### FIRST DIVISION.

King's v. Hawkins. Sookumpoo

"A" ground.

Ambrose v. R.G.A. Navy "A"

ground.

Tamar v. Police. South China

ground.

Kowloon v. Titania. Kowloon

(Hunghom) ground.

Durban v. Club Navy. "B" ground.

Kick off at 4 p.m. sharp.

##### SECOND DIVISION.

R.G.A. v. United. Sookumpoo

"A" ground.

Titania v. Kowloon. Navy "B"

ground.

Hawkins v. Ambrose. Club ground.

Durban v. Auxiliaries. St. Joseph's

ground. (Kick off 4 p.m.)

University v. Marazion. Navy "A"

ground.

King's St. Joseph's. St. Joseph's

ground.

South China "A" v. Warders.

South China ground.

Kick off at 2.30 p.m.

#### BOXING.

At the Theatre Royal at 9.15 p.m.

Main event:—Fifteen round Contest

for the Heavy weight Championship

of the Colony and the Hongkong

Exchange Brokers' Association Belt.

Fts. S. Ainsworth v. C.P.O. Callaghan

Royal Marines H.M.S. Titania.

#### DECEMBER 24.

Royal Hongkong Golf Club Christ-

mas competitions at Deep Bay.

#### BOXING DAY.

##### CRICKET.

First match of Triangular Tourna-

ment—H.K.C.C. v. Army, on Club

ground, commencing at 10 a.m.

K.C.C. 2nd v. H.K.C.C. 2nd at

Kowloon, commencing at 10 a.m.

G.S.C.C. v. Navy, at Happy Valley.

##### FOOTBALL.

International match—Scotland v.

England, on Club ground. Kick-off

at 4.15 p.m.

##### GOLF.

Royal Hongkong Golf Club Com-

petition at Deep Bay.

##### SOCIAL.

Special Carnival night dinner dan-

ce at Hongkong Hotel.

##### ENTERTAINMENT.

A.D.C. performance of "The

Tempest" at the Theatre Royal, 9.15

p.m.

##### FOOTBALL.

##### KOWLOON TEAMS.

The following have been selected to

represent Kowloon in both divisions

on Saturday.

1st Division, Kowloon v. Titania

on Kowloon ground at 4 p.m.:—

Woodman; Wheeler, Knight; Mor-

risson; King; McKelvie; Clema; Mason;

Parco A Duncan and Coombs.

Reserve:—Millard.

2nd Division, Kowloon v. Titania

on Navy "B" ground at 2.30 p.m.:—

Rasmussen; Guest G. Duncan; Ban-

ner; Oller Hooper; East; Ferguson;

Spary; Blagden and Easterbrook.

Reserves:—Jones, Christensen.

A telegram received by the Chinese

Red Cross Society from the Inter-

national Convention of Red Cross

Societies in Bangkok, states that a

Commission for the Suppression of

Opium has been appointed with Mr.

Yang Tcheng, the Chinese chief

delegate, as chairman. Mr. Yang,

who is Vice-President of the Chinese

Society, was formerly Envoy for

Foreign Affairs in Shanghai.

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There will be no collection and no delivery of Ordinary and Correspondence

each day as on Sunday and no delivery of Registered Correspondence at 9 a.m.

The Money Order Office will be entirely closed during the holidays.

The District Post Office will be open from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. and from 5 p.m.

to 6 p.m., with the exception of Kowloon (Cen), which will be open from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. only, and the exception of Kowloon (Cen), which will be open from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. and from 5.30 p.m. to 8 p.m.

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